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## COLONY'S FINANCES. NEXT YEAR'S \$9,000,000 DEFICIT. SPENDING OUR BALANCES. FUTURE FINANCIAL POLICY DISCUSSED. AVOIDING HEAVIER TAXATION.

**PROSPECTS OF LOANS FOR CERTAIN PUBLIC WORKS.**

Next year the Colony, instead of the usual surplus, expects to have a deficit of nearly \$9,000,000. This will materially reduce our cash balances, which are expected to stand at \$14,000,000 at the end of the current year. The decrease thus effected is part of the financial policy advocated by the Governor who disfavours trying to maintain our cash balances permanently at a high figure—we had on June 30 over \$18,000,000 in hand—but recommends that they should not be kept much below \$5,000,000 for any long period, "as it is very desirable that we should be in a position to meet at once unexpected calls or unforeseen troubles without dislocation of our finances."

Having consistently advocated the policy of pressing forward development works with every speed, without regard to whether the budget for the year shows a heavy deficit or not so long as the Colony has balances available, the process being merely one of changing the form of our assets, the Governor foresees the time in the next few years when it will have become necessary to raise loans to finance certain development works which will later pay for themselves and certain development works which will be of equal, if not greater, importance to future generations as to the present. For the first His Excellency recommends short term loans which can be repaid when the works are paying a profit, and for the second long term loans which will ensure that our successors may bear their fair share of the cost. This policy, His Excellency believes will make it unnecessary at least for many years to come to contemplate any materially increased taxation, even if the revenue from opium ceases to figure in our returns.

### ARRESTING FIGURES.

The Colony's financial position is sound. Last year's estimated balance of revenue over expenditure was \$402,844.

Owing to the high prices received from land sales and to the higher receipts from the Opium Monopoly, the actual figure was \$2,211,732.

The revised revenue estimate for this year is approximately \$25,482,474, as against \$22,982,474.

The increase is mainly due to the operation of the same causes as last year—to wit a saving on expenditure and high prices for land owing to speculation.

Expenditure, originally estimated at \$21,579,530, is expected to exceed that sum by \$1,200,000.

The increase is mainly due to the fact that the amount for Public Works Extraordinary will, in all probability, be exceeded for the first time since 1917. Other factors are the heavy initial expenditure on typhoon moorings, patrol launches and the rescue tug for the Harbour Department.

The excess of assets over liabilities amounted, on June 30, to \$18,193,520, but by the end of the year it will probably be reduced to about \$14,000,000 as expenditure during the remaining months is expected to be very high.

Next year's estimated revenue amounts to \$21,812,700. The principal increases are light dues, stamp duties, tobacco duties and postage.

Against these increases is off-set an anticipated falling off in receipts from land sales.

The expenditure for next year is estimated at \$30,463,611, being an increase of \$5,538,944 over the original estimate for this year, and \$4,342,759 over the revised estimate.

The estimated expenditure exceeds the estimated revenue by nearly \$9,000,000.

The revenue, however, is estimated on a conservative basis. In any event the Colony's cash balances are sufficient to cover the estimated deficit.

### SALIENT POINTS.

Ground Covered By The Governor.

These figures were announced by H.E. the Governor (Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.) in his budget speech at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council.

Reviewing next year's programme of expenditure, entailing a \$9,000,000 deficit, His Excellency mentioned among other matters provided for in the budget a bigger police force, more health officials, an armoured car for the Volunteer Defence Corps, an infectious diseases hospital, big water schemes, improved communications in Kowloon, a new jail and training school, a full-time medical officer for schools, quarters in Kowloon, for the clerical staff, costing over \$1,500,000, increases in the staffs of various departments and \$300,000 more in P.W.D. salaries.

Referring to the big increase in the opium revenue, His Excellency said that the Government had again thought it right to act on the assumption that during the coming year, possibly as a result of the discussions which are about to take place at Geneva, some means will be found of reducing the consumption of opium, which will not merely involve the substitution of smuggled Chinese opium for the product prepared by the Government.

His Excellency remarked regarding the expected lower yield from land next year, that there have lately been clear indications that the land boom is now over at any rate temporarily. Although this might be a matter for regret, from the revenue standpoint, he



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## MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Six children have been born at the Wembley Exhibition.

By cutting his pocket a thief took a book containing £500 from a cattle dealer at Edinburgh market.

About 280 cadetships at Sandhurst and Woolwich for Army commissions are offered for competition.

Suggestions for improvements were made by 3,497 Great Western Railway employees in 12 months.

Searchlights from warships played all night during salvage work on a naval drifter on the rocks near Weymouth.

Married first when 19, Mr. Alfred Jones, 79, of Netherton, Worcestershire, has celebrated his second silver wedding.

Traced by his insurance card, the decomposed body of William Hyde, 59, gardener, of Fleet, Hampshire, has been found in a Richmond Park plantation.

Diving into the sea from Southsea beach, 2nd Aircrewman Richard Edwards, 20, of H.M.S. "Argus," struck his head on the bottom and died from fracture of the spine.

After three years of bad trade the works of Messrs. Cochrane and Co., Dudley, east-iron pipe makers, where 500 men were formerly employed, have been sold for dismantling.

At a Portsmouth inquest on Lieut. Edward Russell, who shot himself in the training ship "Fisgard," it was stated that his idea that he was suffering from cancer was a delusion.

Ten per cent. of the permanent commissions in the cavalry, infantry, Royal Tank Corps, and Royal Army Service Corps will be available yearly to officers of the Supplementary Reserve.

Charged with murdering her baby by throwing it into the river, Maud Norman, 23, a single woman who said she was homeless and starving, was committed for trial at Spalding, Lincolnshire.

The two-acre site, Endsleigh Gardens, in Euston-road, is being added to the number of London's lost open spaces. It has been sold for more than £45,000 to the Society of Friends as a building plot.

Presented by an American women's organisation, a bust of Robert E. Lee, commander of the Confederate forces in the American Civil War, was unveiled at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst.

The King has approved of the 159th (London) Anti-Aircraft Battery, Royal Artillery (T.A.), being called in future the 159th (Lloyd's, City of London), Anti-Aircraft Battery, Royal Artillery (T.A.).

"I am going to die with the man I love most dearly," wrote Bertha Kwong Lee, 23, the English wife of a Chinese laundress, of Salford, who took poison after going away with a man. A verdict of Felony was returned at the inquest.

Arrested while spending a golfing holiday at Sillith, Harold Boddington, 42, manager of the Worthington branch of the National Provincial Bank, was at Worthington Police Court remanded on charges of stealing £1,200 belonging to the bank.

None of the Merton Estate, near Watton, Norfolk, belonging to Lt.-Col. George de Grey, son of Lord Walsingham, was sold when it was put up for auction at Norwich. A leading farmer said: "We don't want to buy land. Farmers are fed up with agricultural prices."

## A WIFE'S VALUE.

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A High Court Judge recently condemned the practice in divorce proceedings of assessing the value of a wife at a nominal sum, and certainly curious views are often taken by jurors of the damages sustained through the loss of conjugal bliss.

When money is otherwise involved in the domestic relations the law is generous, and the innocent party is put as nearly as possible in the same position as he or she was before the dissolution. Generally the divorced wife is thus benefited; but it works both ways.

Not long ago a man applied to the court for a share of a bequest that his divorced wife had received since their marriage, when they were in very humble circumstances. She pleaded that most of the money had been spent; but she was ordered to pay her former husband £2 a week.

## THROWN IN TO PRISON.

In another case even a contingent interest was allowed for. Under a marriage settlement, a woman was given power to leave to her husband an interest of £5,000 a year. This clause was inserted at the direction of her father, who thought that it would ensure her husband's good behaviour. But it was he, not she, who found it necessary to apply for a divorce. This was granted, together with part of the wife's income and, on the assumption that but for the divorce she would have willed him £5,000 a year, that amount annually after her death.

Loss of affection and companionship, however, is generally considered of comparatively little account. A short time ago a wife sued a woman who had, she alleged, enticed her husband away from her, and claimed only £4,000 damages. Particularly small is this loss deemed when the wife is the guilty party, though in the Victorian age aggrieved husbands often obtained heavy damages.

In a remarkable case one man claimed £20,000, and his counsel, whose speech to the jury, it is stated, "melted the court into tears," did his best to show that he deserved it.

"Young, beautiful, and accomplished," said the eloquent advocate, in referring to the erring wife, "she was adorned with all that earth or heaven could bestow to make her amiable. Virtue never found a fairer temple; beauty never veiled a purer sanctuary. The graces of her mind retained the admiration which her beauty had attracted and the eye her charms fired became subdued and chastened in the modesty of their association."

But the jury assessed the value of this paragon at £5,000, which the defendant was unable to pay. As there was then no relief for damages of this kind, he was thrown into prison, where he remained for twenty-eight years.

The damages awarded in several other cases, including one in which £40,000 was claimed, were £10,000, and once a husband was given a solatium of £15,000.

Now the value of a wife, as assessed by a jury, is rarely more than one-tenth of the smaller of these amounts. In five recent cases the damages awarded were £500, £150, £200, £100, and £300, respectively, and in another the husband had to be content with a paltry £5, the judge expressing the opinion that even that was more than his wife was worth.

Since a man gets £500 or more for the loss of an arm or a leg, it is absurd to award £50 or £100 for the loss of a wife who is worth anything at all; and where a jury, on some ground, cannot award reasonable damages, the best course, perhaps, would be not to give the husband anything. In these matters it is especially desirable to avoid the ridiculous.

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TAXATION.

Plainly the most arresting feature of the budget speech which the Governor made in the Legislative Council this afternoon is not the exceptionally heavy programme of public works outlined for next year—over \$9,000,000 is set aside for public works extraordinary alone—not yet the many improvements promised for the various Government departments in the way of increased staffs and better facilities; the most arresting feature of the budget speech, plainly, is the financial policy His Excellency advocated not merely for the coming year but for the much longer period implied by the words "near future." Briefly this policy is to press forward development works with every speed, even if this entails a deficit for the year. Each year the deficit can be met

from our cash balances, care being taken of course not to deplete these beyond a point—His Excellency suggests \$5,000,000—where any sudden call would dislocate our finances. Once our balances have been thus reduced, the time will have come to seek elsewhere for the money with which to finance certain desirable or essential development works. Obviously there is only one way to raise the money, His Excellency points out, namely by way of loans—short term loans for development works which will, when completed, pay for themselves and possibly yield a profit; long term loans for development works which will not bring any appreciable return but which will prove of equal, if not greater, benefit to future generations as the present. This policy will almost certainly commend itself to the public, since the Governor is able to promise that under it, for many years to come, materially increased taxation can be avoided, even if the revenue from opium ceases to figure in our returns. Hitherto when the efforts being made to suppress the opium trade

have been discussed among the knowing ones, the opinion has almost invariably been whispered that the resulting loss of revenue could have only one outcome—the income tax hodge come to life at last. But apart from pressing forward big development works and at the same time avoiding heavier taxation, the policy advocated by the Governor will commend itself to the public because there has always been a strong feeling against hoarding huge sums which might well be spent in the general interests of the community. Similarly there has long been a growing conviction—voiced by the "China Mail" for one—that the present generation should not be called upon to bear the full expense of development works that will prove of equal, if not of more, benefit to later generations, that are indeed, in some instances, as the Governor pointed out alluding to the Shing Mun Valley water scheme, essential for these later generations. Manifestly it is only right that posterity should bear its share. That loans—short term loans, are not less desirable for development works, paying for themselves or yielding a profit soon after they are completed—the Governor instanced the Praya East reclamation work—is equally clear, for to draw upon the revenue or the balances for these works is simply to tie up good money that could be better employed in other directions. "This much must be clear to everyone. What is less certain, however, is whether the Governor's policy will be carried out. Sir Edward Stubbs is nearing the end of the customary term for office in Hongkong and it would seem from his remarks in the Legislative Council this afternoon that he himself is not sure whether that term will be extended. Discussing the general financial position he observed that "very possibly" this would be the last budget he would have the pleasure of placing before the Council. "Very possibly" could mean that he might remain here for another five years, an interpretation which would seem to gain weight by a later remark that he proposed to follow his present policy in any future budget that he might be privileged to lay before the Council. Naturally we should be sorry to misrepresent His Excellency by reading into his words inferences they are not meant to contain; apart from a very human curiosity about his future our only motive in analysing his remarks is a desire to judge, if possible, what prospects there are of his financial policy being carried out. Obviously if Sir Edward Stubbs leaves Hongkong there is no guarantee at all that his policy will be continued. Certainly he may this afternoon have convinced both the officials and the unofficials that his policy is "reasonable and practical," but the officials, upon an issue like this, have no option but to accept the views of the reigning governor, and the unofficials are of course powerless against the official majority. Therefore if Sir Edward Stubbs leaves Hongkong his words this afternoon may have all been to no purpose beyond imbuing the public mind with the wisdom of the policy he has set forth. Hongkong before this has had governors who have believed in trying to accumulate big balances—we could name at least one offhand—and it might easily get another, especially in view of the political changes, actual and possible, in the Homeland. However it is useless thus to speculate further upon the uncertain future. Having examined such few portents as are visible, we must be content with examining plans that are almost sure to mature, namely the Government's programme of expenditure for next year. But that is such a formidable task that we must defer it until to-morrow.

**Pirates.**

Local river steamers, especially those recognised as catering more for passengers than for cargo, have been almost entirely immune from pirate attacks during the last few months. Since there has been considerable heartburning when the agitation arose as to whether guards or convoys formed the better way of coping with the evil, it is satisfactory to be able to record that as both guards are employed and the convoy system is still maintained, almost complete eradication of the evil has been brought about as far as Hongkong is directly concerned. It has certainly been proved that offence is the best defence; and the quiet system of offence carried out by the police, has also helped materially to forestall pirates. The gang who worked the "Ning-shing" appear to have stuck to hard and fast rules that were in force in our waters a year or two back. Can it be that our old acquaintances have found new hunting grounds and started their tricks on other routes? They leaving the ship at Bias Zay indicates that they come from the same place and this reminds us of the suggestion when the local piracy problem was acute, that the countryside be blown to bits. If other parts follow the example set by Hongkong, we venture to predict that the evil will be automatically stamped out.

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**BIG FIRES UNDER CONTROL.**

**Merchant Volunteers Defeated.**

Canton is emerging from a terrible ordeal of killing, wanton destruction, incendiarism, looting, and savage street warfare. On the one side were the merchants—or rather their Volunteer Corps—and on the other was the Canton Government, whose mercenaries carried out its bidding, assisted by the rabble of the city.

**\$7,000,000 Damage.**

The latest position is best summed up in the following message courteously handed to the "China Mail":—

At about noon to-day the two Chinese members of Council received the following news about Canton from the Hon. Colonial Secretary:—

"Latest intelligence from Canton received by the Naval Authorities is that a large fire raged yesterday but is now under control. The Merchants Volunteers have been defeated. The damage is estimated at \$7,000,000, and the loss of life is probably large. All is now quiet."

**Treachery.**  
Owing to the unfortunate interruption to the telegraph service between Hongkong and Canton, this Colony was kept in suspense till after mid-night last night when, on the arrival of the night boats from Canton, some news was gathered. Since then hardly anything has dribbled through but we are authentically informed that although the worst was feared the trouble did not spread last night as expected and that the resistance of the merchants has been broken, leaving the Government the victors.

Most surprising of all has been the treachery of the Cantonese troops under General Li Fook-lam (ruler of Honam and the new Mayor) who instead of assisting the merchants, openly attacked them and took a leading hand in the looting. The attitude taken by the two Yunnanese peace-makers, General Fan Shek-sang and Lieut-General Liu Hang-chiu—was also unexpected. It was thought that knowing which side of their bread was buttered, they would at least be sympathetic towards the merchants but they were content to guard their own "spheres" and in some instances, their men joined hands with attacking pro-Government troops.

**Effect of Gunboats.**  
In an extra issued to-day, the "Wah Tsze Yat-Po" hints that Dr. Sun Yat-sen's cruiser, the "Wing Fung" was prevented from joining the fray by the proximity of two foreign gunboats which signified that it had better not open fire.

At 10 last night the boats from Hongkong left as usual and they should have arrived there this morning. Hardly any passengers shipped but a few Europeans made the journey. The boats which left on Tuesday and reached Canton yesterday morning had difficulty in getting alongside but their passengers refused to leave the ships and were ultimately brought back to Hongkong. A few left the ships from the "off-side" and proceeded by sampans to Honam Island—across the river where it was quiet and where thousands of people stood watching the fighting on the Bund.

**March to Canton?**  
Yunnanese and other troops were last reported as heavily guarding all approaches to Canton, particularly the Canton-Samshui Railway, along which the Merchants Volunteers and Village Guards assembled at Fatsan can move rapidly along to strike at Canton.

There seems little doubt that the backbone of the merchants has been broken and that almost unbearable terms will be exacted in addition to the Volunteers being deprived of their arms. But their colleagues, the Village Guards, are all trained fighters, all having been in action against bandits and pirates. The anti-Sun press predicts that the Village Guards of the whole province, said to number over 40,000, will certainly march on Canton. If so, peace is not yet in sight.

**Fighting Described.**  
Our special correspondent, writing at 4 p.m. yesterday about the fighting, says:—

About 30 this morning, fighting broke out between the Merchants Volunteers and the Bolshevist Government, which had officially declared the Volunteers "disbanded" and had given definite orders to different troops to storm the city and disarm the merchants. A most elaborate plan was prepared, including even the armed launches and the forts down to the mouth of the Canton River at Bocca Tigris.

**LOCAL AND GENERAL.**  
The "China Mail" has received from the Texas Company a Gasoline Gauge, which should prove invaluable to motorists. The Company are anxious to hear from those in need of them.

**FOR THE BUSY MAN.**

**GOVERNOR'S BUDGET SPEECH CONDENSED.**

**NEXT YEAR'S PROGRAMME.**

The Harbour Office gets two additional marine surveyors, two new clerks and (for two years) an experienced office assistant and accountant to institute a proper filing system.

The whole Police Fleet is transferred to the Harbour Master for the purposes of supervision and fueling.

Provision is made for the completion of the approved typhoon moorings, for the construction of a reserve tug and for the construction and upkeep of anti-piracy patrol launches.

The Imports and Exports Department gets an additional revenue officer for the supervision of New Territories, distillers; also the approved new sea-going launch.

The Royal Observatory gets new magnetic instruments and a suitable site is being sought for these instruments.

Nothing is noted for the Empire Exhibition owing to the uncertainty whether it will be continued, and if Hongkong will participate, if it is continued.

Additional grants are provided of £100 to the British Empire Lapsary Association, of \$1,500 to the Hak Hoi Library and of \$5,000 to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The vote for rent allowances is increased to cover the Senior Staff, Subordinate European Staff, and Asiatic officers of ten years' service—all subject to certain conditions.

Provision is made to cover the cost of the Registry of Companies in Shanghai.

**EUROPEAN ARMOURER.**

The Police Force has received two additional Assistant Superintendents, and gets, besides some additional clerical assistance, a fully qualified European armourer. The European Force has been increased by ten, and the Indian Force by sixty; the Cantonese Contingent has been fixed at 545 and the Weihwei at 370, being an increase over this year's figures of 140 men.

Provision is made for the crew of the additional Water Police launch, and a new cruising launch is to be acquired to replace No. 4 Launch in May Day.

Provision is also made for a new motor van, additional rifles and bayonets, and an armourer's chest.

A weigh-bridge is to be bought for motor vehicles as licence fees are assessed by weight.

The Fire Brigade gets a small increase in staff and additional machines and appliances; also a small car to facilitate the Superintendent's inspection work.

Provision is made for fire alarms and pedestal fire hydrants which it is proposed to erect next year.

Further temporary jail accommodation is provided at Leichikok. An Assistant Superintendent, one new Assistant Chief Warder, an additional Principal Warder and nine warders are to be appointed.

The Medical Department gets two additional European medical officers, one qualified in bacteriology.

**SCHOOL MEDICAL OFFICER.**  
A full-time medical officer is to be appointed to examine the pupils in all Government schools and schools which come under the Education Ordinances.

When the old building at the Victoria Hospital has been finally reconducted by about the end of next September the new building will be devoted entirely to maternity cases.

The Kowloon Hospital will be ready about July and will be staffed by the Maryknoll Mission of New York.

A third part health officer is to be appointed, partly in connection with the new quarantine station which should be ready next year. The health officer gets a motor launch.

Equipment for the new hospital costs \$122,000 and additional equipment is to be bought for the Government Civil Hospital.

The Sanitary Department gets three additional inspectors, twenty-six extra scavenging coolies and seventeen burghers. The new post of Colonial Veterinary Surgeon is created.

Five more motor lorries are likely to be purchased for refuse removal.

The Botanical and Forestry Department will spend \$10,000 for a forestry reserve in the Tai Po water works catchment area.

This will prevent fouling of the water supply and will in time, it is hoped, provide a supply of firewood for emergencies.

The Education Department gets three more junior masters and the Normal Schools are being re-organized.

The Volunteer Defence Corps receives larger grants—for the Mounted Infantry Section and for the purchase and upkeep of an armoured car.

The advantages of the new Port Development Department are extolled and it is mentioned that the heads of sub-departments in the P.W.D. are relieving the Director

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

**ICE HOUSE STREET.**

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir—You would confer a favour on local residents that pass through Ice House Street daily by inserting this in your esteemed newspaper. The lower end of Ice House Street, outside Messrs. Hughes and Hough and the offices lower down, is every morning and noon, barraged with trams frequently too deep, so that it is almost impossible to pass through the street without being prodded by shafts or other part of a ricksha or chair. Even the chair coolies have now made Ice House Street their stand from which they offer themselves for hire.

Frequent complaints have been made to the authorities without avail and therefore other action is necessary. There is no good reason why Statue Square, Charter Road or other little used spots should not be available for the rickshas and chairs that usually collect in Ice House Street, most of the vehicles belonging to employees of the offices around and only in use from 1 to 2 p.m. or after office hours; the rest of the day they are idle and merely obstruct a pathway which should, for the public's benefit, be barred to all vehicles.

Before concluding it is well to mention that an occasional "move on" by the police is useless to remedy the evil. Two warnings after which licences would be confiscated for a period, or a fine in lieu, is all that is necessary.

Yours truly,  
"CITIZEN."  
Hongkong, October 14.

of much detail work.

**\$300,000 SALARIES INCREASE.**  
The maximum salaries generally of Engineers have been increased, but the reorganization is not yet complete so far as the Architectural Office and Survey Department are concerned.

Altogether changes in the P.W.D. will require \$300,000 for personal emoluments and \$109,896 for salaries, etc., in connection with new Port Development Department.

The additions to staff comprise thirteen more engineers for various sub-departments, twenty-four other officers, and additional clerical assistance in the lower grades.

Other additions to staff include five more wireless operators, six more land surveyors and two more land bullocks.

Public Works Extraordinary are estimated to cost \$0,187,200, but it is more than likely this figure will not be reached.

Provision is made for additional officers' quarters.

A sum of \$30,000 is provided for the new Infectious Diseases Hospital but this amount may be exceeded. The selected site is causing some trouble and the plans have yet to be approved in their entirety.

Temporary police barracks in Hospital Road require a further \$35,000.

A narrow new road for motor traffic to Cape d'Aguilar absorbs \$30,000, and \$87,700 for an underground cable to the same place.

Converting the Bowen Road Filter Beds from the slow to the rapid filtering system is to cost \$100,000.

An urgent necessity is the store for Government materials. This will form the nucleus of a Government Central Store Department.

A beginning is to be made with clerical service quarters in Nathan Road, as recommended by a committee. The total cost will probably exceed \$1,600,000.

Large sums are provided for communications in Kowloon, in connection with which another committee, helped by the K.R.A., has done excellent work.

Large sums are also required for mainland drainage and \$50,000 is to be spent on laying certain cables underground.

A contract has been let for piling the site of the New Jail and Training School on the Kai Tak reclamation ground. Prison labour is to be used for cutting down hills.

It has been impossible to make a start with the new Lunatic Asylum and another site may have to be selected.

Low-lying ground to the south-west of Kowloon City is to be filled in. The Kowloon telephone line to Fanling is to be put underground.

A start is to be made with the Shing Mun Valley water schemes but estimates are only tentative.

Post Office duties have been slightly re-arranged and a small increase is being made in the staff.

The railway estimates, recent owing to a change in the system of accounts, mention that running expenses have been kept low but certain purchases and changes are to be made.

The stoppage of through traffic had a disastrous effect on the revenue and it is impossible for the line to pay until through traffic is resumed.

Three months hence the Fanling Branch Line will be replaced by the motor road now being made.



## COLONY'S RECORD BUDGET.

### NEXT YEAR'S PROGRAMME OUTLINED.

#### HOW \$25,000,000 WILL BE SPENT.

#### Governor Discusses Future Financial Policy.

Speaking on the Budget Bill in the Legislative Council this afternoon, His Excellency the Governor said: Honourable Members of the Legislative Council:— In introducing the Budget last year I stated that the Expenditure for 1923 was expected to amount to \$21,579,530. This proved to be a very close estimate as the expenditure actually brought to account was only \$7,500 less. Revenue was at the same time estimated to reach the total of \$22,982,474 but a sum of \$24,783,762 was actually received, the excess being due mainly to the high prices received from land sale and to the receipts from the Opium Monopoly being higher than the estimate. Revenue exceeded expenditure by just over three million dollars and the balance of assets over liabilities on the 31st December, 1923, was therefore increased to nearly sixteen million dollars.

#### Higher Revenue Figures.

Revenue for 1924 is expected to exceed the estimate made last year by about two and a half million dollars owing to the operation of the same causes as in the previous year. As I pointed out last year the estimate of opium revenue was purposely placed at a low figure in the hope—unfortunately still unrealized—that conditions in China would improve to such an extent as to admit of steps being taken to suppress the growth of opium, and thus to make it possible for us to introduce measures for the reduction of consumption without their being justified by an increase in illicit importation.

#### Excess of Expenditure.

Expenditure is expected to exceed our estimate by one million two hundred thousand dollars. This excess is due mainly to the fact that the amount provided for Public Works Extraordinary will in all probability be exceeded for the first time since 1917 and to the heavy initial payments for the construction of Typhoon Mooring, Patrol Launches and the Rescue Tug for the Harbour Department having to be made this year. Expenditure during the remaining months of this year is expected to be very high and if these expectations are correct the balance of assets over liabilities, which reached the high level of \$18,193,520 at the end of June, will probably be reduced to about \$14,000,000 by the end of the year. I will refer at a later stage to the general financial position.

#### Conservative Lines.

The specific sums which we expect to receive under each sub-head of revenue are shown on page 6 to 12 of the Estimates before you. The estimates which amount to a total of \$21,812,700 have again been made on a conservative basis, being some five per cent. above the estimate for this year, which as I have said will be greatly exceeded. We have again thought it right to act on the assumption that during the coming year, possibly as a result of the discussions which are about to take place at Geneva, some means will be found of reducing the consumption of opium, which will not merely involve the substitution of smuggled Chinese opium for the product prepared by Government. The estimated revenue from opium has therefore again been placed at 3½ million dollars. The principal increases anticipated are under the heads of Light Dues, Stamp Duties, Tobacco Duties and Postage. Land Sales are expected to yield a much lower sum in 1925 than in the last few years, as there have lately been clear indications that the land-boom is now over at any rate temporarily. Considered solely from the point of view of Revenue the end of the period of high prices at land sales is a matter for regret but, personally, I feel that it is better for the community that prices should revert to a level which will enable an adequate return to be obtained from capital invested in land and that the speculative element, which has been so prominent of late, should cease to bulk so largely in these transactions.

#### Rate of Exchange.

The expenditure for next year is estimated to amount to \$30,463,611 being an increase of \$5,538,944 over the original estimate for this year and \$4,342,759 over the revised estimate. The increases and decreases under each department are shown in the Sessional Paper which has been laid on the table. The rate of exchange adopted for these estimates is 2s. 8d. as against 2s. 2d. in respect of the current year and the dollar equivalent of all sterling payments has therefore decreased slightly except as regards salaries

which are payable at a fixed exchange.

#### Harbour Office Vote.

The votes for the Harbour Master's Department have been increased by nearly two lacs. The increase is necessitated by the ever-growing volume of shipping frequenting this port while recent events have made it necessary to incur new and special expenditure amounting to over \$700,000. Two additional marine surveyors have been added, and by the courtesy of the Crown Agents for the Colonies an experienced office assistant and accountant has been seconded for two years to supervise the accounts in this large department and to institute a proper system of filing the voluminous records dealing with shipping in all its aspects.

#### Increase of Charges.

The votes for recurrent charges have been increased by about \$140,000 mainly owing to the transfer of the whole Police Fleet to the Harbour Master for the purpose of supervision, repairs and fuelling. A corresponding reduction is made in the Police votes. Under Special Expenditure provision is made for the completion of the Typhoon Mooring in the Harbour which were approved after the typhoons last year, for the construction of a Rescue Tug and for the construction and upkeep of the Patrol Launches for anti-piracy work.

#### Imports And Exports.

Increases in the Imports and Exports Department are due partly to normal expansion, one additional Revenue Officer being necessary for the supervision of distilleries, etc., in the New Territories, and partly to the increased cost of materials connected with the manufacture of opium. A sum of \$30,250 appears under Special Expenditure to cover the final instalments and initial outfit of a new sea-going launch, the construction of which has been approved and is now proceeding.

#### New Observatory Instruments.

Under "The Royal Observatory" provision is made for the purchase of new magnetic instruments. The continuous encroachment of buildings in recent years has rendered the position of the Observatory unsuitable for magnetic observations. The question was referred to the authorities at the Meteorological Office, London, and to the Admiralty who replied that it was highly desirable not only for scientific reasons but also in connection with the preparation of Admiralty charts, showing errors of compasses, that this part of the work of the Observatory should continue and should be supplemented by additional self-recording instruments. The Director is now looking for a suitable site removed from all disturbing influences where these instruments can be placed.

#### Miscellaneous Votes.

Miscellaneous Services show a reduction this year. No vote has been entered for the British Empire Exhibition. The question whether the Exhibition will be continued next year is apparently still unsettled. If it should be decided to continue, it will be necessary to consider whether Hongkong should again take part in it. The point is one on which two views are possible and I do not wish to commit this Government to any opinion until the Council has had full opportunity of considering the matter. Additional grants have been provided of £100 to the British Empire Leprosy Association, of \$1,500 to the Hok Hoi Library which it is hoped will become a centre of Chinese learning in this Colony, and of \$5,000 to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. This last vote represents a maximum sum and will not necessarily be expended in full. The arrangement which has been made with the Society is that the Government will contribute two dollars for every dollar which the Society receives in annual subscriptions and donations, up to a maximum of \$5,000. The Society, which has done excellent work and has now added to its responsibilities by taking charge of the new Dogs' Home in Kowloon, is in the opinion of the Government thoroughly deserving of public support.

The annual vote for furniture for Government Offices and quarters, which was in the past included in Public Works Extraordinary, has been transferred to this head.

#### Rents And Transport.

The vote for Rent Allowances has been increased considerably to cover first the Senior Staff who are granted rented quarters or rent allowances in lieu thereof under certain conditions, secondly

the Subordinate European Staff who have free quarters or a rent allowance where quarters are not available, and thirdly the Asiatic Officers of 10 years' service who have recently been granted these allowances.

The cost of transport of Government Servants has previously been under-estimated and the vote has therefore been increased.

In the Judicial and Legal Departments increased provision has been made, after consultation with the Foreign Office, to cover the cost of the Registry of Companies in Shanghai. The opening of a Second Magistracy in Kowloon has necessitated an increase of staff which has already resulted in a more speedy despatch of business. The saving of time and expense to the Police will more than cover the extra charges.

#### Larger Police Force.

The Police Force continues to expand with the growth of the Colony and on account of the very unsettled conditions in the neighbouring parts of China. Two additional Assistant Superintendents have been appointed. One of these appointments arises from the normal promotion of a Probationer and the other officer is required to take charge of the large force of guards on shore and for anti-piracy work afloat. Some additional clerical assistance has become necessary and in order that the large armory belonging to the force may be properly cared for it is proposed to appoint a fully qualified European Armourer.

The European Force has been increased by ten, and the Indian Force by sixty; the Cantonese Contingent has been fixed at 515 and the Weihaiwei at 370, being an increase over this year's figures of 140 men. Under "Water Police" provision has been made for the crew of an additional launch. Other Charges show a reduction on account of the transfer of votes to the Harbour Department; the only important increases being due to the rent of premises taken over for additional stations and for married quarters for Indian Police. Special Expenditure is large on account of the necessity of obtaining a new cruising launch to replace No. 4 Launch which was originally used in connection with the construction of the Railway and has been in constant use in Mirs Bay since 1910.

Provision is also made for a new motor van, additional rifles and bayonets, and component parts for repairs, and an armourer's chest. A weigh-bridge for motor vehicles has become necessary as the licence fees payable are assessed by weight.

#### Fire Brigades.

Provision has been made in the Fire Brigade for a small increase in staff and additional machines. It is proposed to purchase a new motor pump with first aid appliances and carrying a forty foot extension ladder to replace the present tender at Mongkok, a trailer motor pump to replace an old hand drawn steam engine at Shaikwan, a small motor car to enable the Superintendent to carry out adequately his daily work of inspection and supervision and a Bayley Fire Escape to replace one condemned as unfit for further service. Provision has also been made for Fire Alarms and Festival Fire Hydrants which it is proposed to erect next year.

#### Prison Expansion.

Expansion in the Prisons Department has become a matter of urgency. The population of the jail continues to increase and it has been found necessary pending the erection of the new jail at Ngau Shi Wan, to provide further temporary accommodation at Lai Chi Kok. The duties and responsibilities of the Superintendent have increased greatly and it is proposed therefore to appoint an Assistant Superintendent who will help generally in administration and will be able to take charge during the absence of the Superintendent. It is also necessary to increase the numbers of the European Prison Officers; one new Assistant Chief Warden being appointed, an additional Principal Warden and nine warders. Increases in Other Charges are due to increased cost of materials and to the larger number of prisoners to be fed and clothed.

#### More Medical Men.

When addressing the Council last year on the Estimates for the Medical Department, I dwelt at some length on the increase of the staff and again this year I have to report a further increase. Provision is made for two additional European Medical Officers, one of whom will have qualifications in bacteriology which will enable him to afford any necessary assistance to the Government Bacteriologist and to act for him in the event of his absence, while the other will supervise Chinese hospitals and dispensaries. It is also intended to appoint a Medical Officer to examine the pupils in all Government schools and schools which come under the Education Ordinance. The officers of the Medical Department have already done much good work in this direction in Government schools but it is considered that the time has now come when the services of a full

time officer should be available. The reconditioning of the old building at the Victoria Hospital is expected to be completed by about September next year and as the new building will then be devoted entirely to maternity cases provision has been made for the necessary staff for three months. The Kowloon Hospital is expected to be ready about July and part provision has, therefore, been made for the staff which will be supplied by the Maryknoll Mission of New York. Considerable increases have been made in the various votes in Other Charges on account of the increased number of patients in the various hospitals and to cover the running expenses of the hospitals shortly to be opened.

A third Health Officer of the Port has become necessary not only on account of increased shipping but also in connection with the Quarantine Station which it is hoped may be in operation next year. Under Special Expenditure provision is made for a motor launch for the use of the Health Officers.

The cost of equipment of the new hospitals is estimated at \$120,000 and sums have also been inserted for pharmaceutical apparatus and sterilizing plant to increase the efficiency of the equipment of the Government Civil Hospital.

#### Increased Sanitary Staff.

Expansion is also taking place in the duties of the Sanitary Department and some addition to the staff is necessary. A new post of Assistant Colonial Veterinary Surgeon has been inserted in order to cope with the increasing amount of work in connection with the Colony's fresh meat supply and three additional Sanitary Inspectors are required for new Health Districts in Hongkong and Kowloon. Twenty-six extra scavenging coolies, 17 bargemen and a few other minor appointments are necessary.

The use of motor lorries for refuse removal has proved a success, and the purchase of five more is contemplated.

A few small increases are made in the Botanical and Forestry Department including a larger provision for forestry both in Hongkong and New Territories while under Special Expenditure a sum of \$10,000 is inserted for the formation of a Forestry Reserve in the Water Works Catchment Area at Tai-po. The area formerly consisted of padi fields which had to be resumed to prevent fouling of the water supply and it is eminently suitable for growing of timber. It is hoped that in time the Government may be able to obtain from this plantation a supply of firewood which will be most useful in case of emergency.

#### Education Department.

The estimates for the Education Department provide for three more Junior Masters. Reorganisation is taking place in the Normal Schools for Men and for Women and the necessary staff has been provided, together with a sum under Special Expenditure for initial equipment. A larger sum is required for grants owing to the increasing number of pupils attending the various schools.

#### Volunteer Grants.

Sums have been inserted, on the advice of the General Officer Commanding, in the Estimates of the Volunteer Defence Corps for larger grants to the Mounted Infantry Section and for the purchase and upkeep of an Armoured Car. I note with satisfaction that there has recently been a marked increase in the interest taken in this Corps, which has not yet reached the strength which would naturally be expected in a community of this size. I am glad to learn that during the last twelve months or so its numbers have increased from about 270 to 420 men. The increase is mainly, I understand, in the Scottish and Mounted Companies, the Commanding Officers of which are, as is Colonel Bird, to be congratulated on the success which has attended their efforts to increase the numbers and the efficiency of their commands. As a result of these increases it is necessary to provide for additional uniforms, rifles and bayonets.

#### Port Development.

An important change during the current year in connection with Public Works has been the creation of a Port Development Department which will relieve the Director of Public Works of some part of the heavy work of his department. It is proposed to place under the head of this department, who has been given the title of Port Engineer, the supervision of all construction work within the Harbour limits such as docks, wharves and reclamations, though for the present certain construction work on reclamation and maintenance work in connection with existing sea walls and piers and the dredging of foreshores, will continue to be done by the Public Works Department. The chief work on which the Port Engineer is now engaged is that of preparing a general scheme of development and when that has been completed

it will be possible to take a wide survey of the future needs of the Port and of the means by which the approved works can be carried into effect. There will be many difficult problems to solve, but with the actual launching of the new department it only remains for experience to show how they can best be dealt with. I think that Honourable Members will agree with me that we are fortunate in having so good an officer as Mr. John Duncan available to take charge of this important department.

#### P.W.D. CHANGES.

#### Relief For Director.

It will also be observed that changes have been made in the Public Works Department tending to throw greater responsibility on the heads of the sub-departments and thus to relieve the Director of Public Works of much detail work, so that he may be able to devote more time to matters of primary importance. The Water Engineer and the Drainage Engineer have many years of important and responsible work before them, while the other sub-departments such as those in charge of Roads and General Works have been somewhat reorganised. The maximum salaries generally of Engineers have been increased, but the reorganisation is not yet complete so far as the Architectural Office and the Survey Department are concerned.

#### Increased Emoluments.

These changes and the recruitment of a considerable number of new men to cope with the extensive programme of works which lies before us have resulted in a very large increase in personal emoluments which have risen by no less a sum than \$300,000 while a further sum of \$109,595 is required to cover the salaries and allowances of the officers in the new Port Development. The additions of staff consist of thirteen additional engineers, five for the Architectural Office, four for the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance Office, one each for Drainage, Waterworks, Wireless and General Works; four Senior Works Inspectors and sixteen additional Overseers, two Material Inspectors, a Store Supervisor and Stocktaker, an Office Assistant and Pay Clerk, and additional clerical assistance in the lower grades. Five more European Wireless Operators are also required, six local officers and twelve apprentices. Six more Land Surveyors are necessary and two additional Land-Bailiffs. In view of what was said in this Council during the debate on the estimates for this year and on other occasions I have no doubt that Honourable Members will readily approve these increases which are unavoidable if we are to continue the policy of developing the Colony as rapidly as our resources will allow.

These increases in staff involve corresponding increases in the votes under Other Charges. The large increase in recent years in the number of Government buildings, in the mileage of roads and in the cost of materials and labour account for the extra sums asked for under Public Works Recurrent.

The amount provided for Public Works Extraordinary is \$9,387,200 a much larger sum than in any former year, and as in the current year, a considerable amount of revision and re-allocation of funds between various items may be found necessary as the year proceeds. Even with the increased staff of the department it is most unlikely that the total estimate will be exceeded, and it is perhaps more likely than not that it will not be reached, but in order to be on the safe side I have thought it desirable to provide the maximum sum which I think that it will be possible to spend if all circumstances are favourable. There are not many new items, but the estimated cost of some of the works begun this year has been revised.

#### Quarters For Officers.

Item 11. Officers' Quarters. Eight Senior Officers' Quarters at Wong Nei Ching are approaching completion and six quarters for subordinate officers close to them will probably be begun before the end of this year. It is also proposed to build some houses, of moderate size on sites along Harlech Road. Plans will be laid before Honourable Members in due course. In connection with the subject of the provision of quarters in Hongkong, I would mention that the Government has recently purchased the property known as Queen's Gardens, which will eventually be developed so as to provide for the accommodation of a considerable number of officers.

With regard to Item 11 I may remark that it is intended to build a larger market on a new site at Haiyungun. Later on the site of the present market will be sold. The item has been inserted in this estimate for next year as it is hoped to begin construction, but no plans or estimates of the cost have yet been prepared.

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## ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

PREMIER HAS NARROW  
ESCAPE.

PLATFORM COLLAPSES.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, October 15.  
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald had an alarming experience, when addressing an audience of 10,000 at Blackheath, this afternoon.

The platform collapsed and the Premier and 200 persons were thrown to the ground. Nobody was hurt; Mr. MacDonald arose smiling.

BALDWIN'S HORSESHOE.  
At the Unionist rally at Queen's Hall, when Mr. Stanley Baldwin appeared on the platform, carrying a horseshoe decorated with red and white and blue ribbon, he received a great ovation.

He said the modern Samson, the Prime Minister, was determined to pull down the pillars of the Tabernacle. The Labour Party could never play its part as a patriotic, constitutional party until it purged itself of extremists.

The Labour Government policy was based on feelings and emotions, which it was impossible to translate into action. If it were possible to embody any of the proposals of the Labour Manifesto in Acts of Parliament, appalling disturbance to trade, industry and the national life would result. It was the true function of Government to encourage individual effort. The most striking feature of the Labour Government's record was its failure as regards unemployment, for which the electorate must call them most severely to account.

IMPERIAL AFFAIRS.

After outlining the Unionist constructive policy Mr. Baldwin referred to imperial affairs. He said the Unionist Party stood for closest cooperation with regard to imperial preference. India at present was causing great anxiety, owing to the wrecking tactics of extremists, who did not attempt to conceal their intention, of rendering the present system of government unworkable. India was seething with a religious conflict between Hindus and Mahomedans. But for the strong protecting arm of Britain, which was never more urgently needed than to-day, large parts of India might revert to chaos. He feared some responsibility for this situation must rest with the nervous vacillating policy of Sir Sydney Olivier, Secretary of State for India.

The Conservatives would unhesitatingly pursue a firm definite policy, based on the letter and spirit of reforms guaranteed to India. Such a policy alone would restore order. He was determined due regard should be given to the needs of the public servants of India, who had suffered economic hardships.

The first list of Conservative candidates numbers 530.  
PREMIER AT MANCHESTER.

In a speech before an audience of 5,000, at Manchester, Mr. MacDonald, who received a tumultuous reception, said: The combination of Liberals and Tories might, though he thought not have the same effect as the same combination in the House of Commons. We can go down: we have been down before. The Labour Party, ousted by unholy combinations, may lose a seat here and there; but I mistake human nature very much, if the manifestations of enthusiasm, which I have seen during the last two days, mean mere passing emotion.

## CESAREWITCH.

CHARLEY'S MOUNT WINS.

VICTORY FOR OUTSIDER.

LONDON, October 16.  
The race for the Cesarewitch (2 miles, 2 furlongs) was run at Newmarket to-day. The result was:  
Charley's Mount ... 1  
Bolet Satan ... 2  
Savernake ... 3  
Thirty-four ran.Won by one length, a neck separating second and third.  
Starting prices were 100-1 agst. Charley's Mount; 25-1 agst. Bolet Satan; 100-6 agst. Savernake.

## IRAQ.

CONVOCAION OF COUNCIL  
OF LEAGUE.

ANGLO-TURKISH DISPUTE.

(Reuter's Service.)

GENEVA, October 15.  
The General Secretary of the League has received a telegram from Mr. MacDonald. It requests the immediate convocation of the Council of the League in view of examining its divergent Anglo-Turkish interpretations of the Council's resolution of September 30 regarding the situation in the Middle East.

## Z.R.3.

GIANT AIRSHIP ARRIVES  
IN U.S.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, October 15.  
The Z.R.3 arrived at Lakehurst aerodrome in 8 hours, 25 minutes after leaving Friedrichshafen. She made a fine landing.

PRESIDENT'S GREETING.

President Coolidge immediately sent a message, congratulating Captain Eckner on the airship's epoch-making achievement.

He said: "It is a matter of great satisfaction to myself and the people of the United States that peaceful relations between Germany and America have been fully re-established, and that this great airship has inaugurated the first direct air-flight between Germany and the United States."

ENTHUSIASTIC SCENES.

There were scenes of enthusiasm on the arrival here of Z.R. 3, escorted by two aeroplanes. Crowds, many on the roofs of skyscrapers, everywhere watched the air-ship as she majestically sailed by, after her transatlantic crossing, at twice the speed of the fastest ocean liner.

Cheers rose from thousands of throats, lats were tossed in the air, shrill whistle blasts sounded from the boats in the harbour and the sirens in the factories as the airship flew low over the heart of the city. It circled the city five times before proceeding to Lakehurst.

MESSAGE FROM EBERT.

BERLIN, October 15.

President Ebert has telegraphed, most heartily congratulating Commander Eckner and the crew of Z.R.3 on behalf of the Government and whole nation.

He says the achievement will live in history; and hopes the Z.R.3, in the course of further flights, will proclaim Germany's genius and challenge all nations to free and peaceful rivalry.

NEW WORLD'S RECORD.

Describing his experiences, on emerging smiling from the airship's gondola, Commander Eckner said: "We have put up a new world's record for a continuous flight of 5,000 miles."

The first part of the voyage was fine but the last was full of heavy weather. From five o'clock yesterday morning, we battled for 24 hours against heavy weather and a wind blowing 55/60 miles an hour.

## MECCA

ARRIVAL OF FORCE  
OF WAHABIS.

SITUATION QUIET.

(Reuter's Service.)

CAIRO, October 15.

The Wahabis have entered Mecca. The situation is quiet and there have been no excesses.

The Wahabis assured the Consular Corps at Jeddah that foreigners at Mecca will be safe and Jeddah will not be attacked.

## IRISH BOUNDARY.

BILL PASSES THROUGH  
DAIL EIREANN.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, October 15.

The Dail Eireann has passed, through all its stages, a Boundary Bill similar to the Bill passed by the British Parliament.

The measure was passed after the Labour motion of rejection had been defeated by 65 to 14.

THE RHEUMATISM  
PROBLEM.

Why are there so many failures in the treatment of rheumatism? It is because in such cases wrong methods of treatment are applied. The poisons of rheumatism are in the blood and only through the blood can the disease be fought successfully. As a remedy for rheumatism Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have a splendid record because they are a uniquely powerful blood restorative and tonic. They rapidly make new rich blood and they in it so pure and strong that the rheumatic poison is driven out until not a trace remains. Thousands of proofs of this have been received from many parts of the world. Here is evidence from South Africa:

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## WAR MEMORIALS.

DUKE OF YORK AT  
PORTSMOUTH.

"NAMES LIVE FOR EVER."

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, October 14.

H. R. H. the Duke of York unveiled, at Portsmouth to-day, the last of three naval war memorials, of which two have already been unveiled at Chatham and Devonport.

"NAMES LIVE FOR EVER."

The Duke of York said the names of the 9,750 officers and men there recorded would live for ever.

After the ceremony, the Duke of York, the Canadian Minister of Defence, the Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth, the Mayor and others placed wreaths at the base of the monument; a wreath was also laid there on behalf of Australia.

## ATTFIELD CASE.

PETITION FOR RELEASE  
OF CONVICTED.

VIRTUAL LIFE-IMPRISONMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, October 15.

A petition is being raised for the release of Cecil Attfield and Charles Hinman, who have been sentenced virtually to life imprisonment as they are unable to pay the enormous penalties imposed.

It is pointed out that Lord Darling refused to agree to immediate execution in the case of Frederick Firmin's penalty.

## SPECULATING STAGS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO LOAN  
TO GERMANY.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, October 15.

Heavy subscriptions to the German Loan partly consist of applications from "stags," or small speculators, who anticipate a premium will be established when the loan is allotted. Thus they will snatch a quick profit.

## CONSIGNEES.

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All broken, chafed and damaged cargo will be examined by Messrs. Anderson &amp; Aske (Marine Surveyors) at the godowns on 14th October, 1924 at 10 a.m.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer or godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after 15th October, 1924 will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before 22nd October, 1924, or they will not be recognised.

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No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after 20th October, 1924, will be subject to rent.

All Claims must reach us by 27th October, 1924, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined by Messrs. Goddard &amp; Douglas (Marine Surveyors) at 10 a.m. on the 19th October, 1924.

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freely used. As a sequel, one Hakka man was badly injured on the head. He appeared in the Kowloon Court as complainant and five Hoklo workmen were arraigned for assault. The first defendant was fined \$20 and ordered to pay \$5 compensation to the complainant. The remainder were each fined \$5.

Police evidence showed that both complainant and defendants were working and had no guns in the same shop. When the former invited his friend to a meal, the latter complained of shortage of cooked rice and hence hot words led to blows. On hearing the alarm, the police went to the scene, stopped the disturbance and arrested the five defendants.

It is stated that the buildings in Hong Kong were erected by the architectural department during the past 10 or 15 years suffered little or no damage in the typhoon of August 26, 1906, and the subsequent rains in October, but practically the whole of the older buildings, and some of the new buildings erected by private firms for the Government were damaged, some to a considerable extent.

In Kowloon, most of the buildings suffered more or less extensive damage. Among the worst was Kowloon City pier which had to be supplied with new reinforced concrete and wood-decking.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton of the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, a married woman, named So, appeared on a charge of being in unlawful possession of 100 lbs of raw opium without a permit from the Superintendent of Imports and Exports. She was ordered to pay a fine of \$760 or serve 9 months in jail.

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## FOOTBALL.

## POLICE v. R.A.

[By "Duchie"]

This return game in the League  
was played at Sookimpoo last evening.  
The teams lined out as follows:

Police: Clark, Wynne, Harle;  
Britton, Forbes, E. G. P. E. A.  
Post, Duer, Johnson, Fenn and  
Simpson.

R.A.: Dobson, Doody, Hardy;  
Rachell, Vickers, Reade; Harris,  
Browning, Redhead, Hensworth  
and Sowther.

Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

The game started sensationally,  
for within the first minute the  
Gunners were one up. A neat  
forward pass by Sowther saw  
Harle all at sea and Redhead had  
no difficulty in putting the ball  
past Clark. The Police attacked  
but Britton sent behind, and the  
Gunners visited their opponents' half  
but Harris sent behind. Later  
Duer spoiled a good movement by  
the R.A. forwards and from the  
kick, Duer obtained possession,  
passed to Fenn who lay unmarked.  
The latter scored the equalising  
goal. The R.A. now attacked and  
in a scrimmage in front of goal  
E.A. Post was injured and had to  
leave the field. Redhead was  
offside close in, and play being  
transferred Duer missed by inches,  
and later Britton skinned the ball.  
Half Time: One each.

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Shanghai Docks ..... 96 Buyers.  
New Engineerings ..... 6 1/2 Buyers.  
Orientals ..... 3 3/4 Buyers.  
Shanghai Cottons ..... 53 Buyers.

dangerous, but Hensworth sent  
over the top, later Redhead was  
offside. Wynne sent Simpson  
away. He tipped to Johnson, the  
latter testing Dobson, who conced-  
ed a corner which proved abortive.  
Fenn returned for a time and then  
Fenn was injured, leaving the  
Police playing nine men. The  
Gunners, taking advantage, pressed,  
but the Police defence was up to  
the occasion and kept them out.

Fenn returned ten minutes be-  
fore time, when things were look-  
ing bad with only two minutes to  
go, and profiting by the Gunners  
backs being well up the field, Duer  
pushed forward for Johnson, to  
win in the race for the ball  
and beat Dobson close in.  
Kicking out closed the game with  
the Police victors by two goals to  
one.

On the run of the play the  
Police fully deserved to win, for  
the major part of the game they  
played only 10 men and at one  
time only nine. Their outstanding  
player was Duer and their defence  
is to be congratulated on their  
display.

The Gunners played fine team  
work and their inside forwards  
shot well, but a lot of their play  
was nullified by Redhead being  
continually offside. Doody and  
Hardy played well, whilst Dobson  
could not be blamed for the two  
goals scored.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## TO-DAY'S MEETING.

At this afternoon's meeting of  
the Legislative Council, the  
Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Sir  
Claude Severn) tabled the financial  
minutes relating to the redistribu-  
tion of votes under public works  
current, and extraordinary (state-  
ment of estimated unexpended  
balances and supplementary votes  
required up to December 31, 1924)  
and the customary abstracts show-  
ing the state of the Colony's  
finances.

## Attendance.

There were present:—  
H.E. the Governor, Sir Reginald  
Stubbs, K.C.M.G.  
H.E. Major-General Sir John  
Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., the  
Officer Commanding the Troops.  
Hon. Sir Claude Severn, K.B.E.,  
C.M.G., Colonial Secretary.  
Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C.,  
C.B.E., Attorney-General.  
Hon. Mr. D. W. Trautman,  
Colonial Treasurer.  
Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, Director  
of Public Works.  
Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain  
Superintendent of Police.  
Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak.  
Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird.  
Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun.  
Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall.  
Hon. Mr. C. Montague Ede.  
Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C.,  
O.B.E.  
Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, Clerk  
of Councils.

## ESTIMATES FOR 1925.

## Financial Statements.

At this afternoon's meeting of  
the Legislative Council, the  
Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. D. W.  
Trautman), laid the following  
financial statements on the table,  
in connection with the estimates  
for 1925.

The Statement of Assets and

Liabilities on December, 30 1923.

## LIABILITIES.

Deposits not Avail-  
able ..... \$1,209,014.25  
Postal Agencies ..... 25,359.70  
Shipping Control  
Account ..... 2,220,491.01  
Suspense Account ..... 1,755.00

Total Liabilities ..... 3,456,522.92

Balance ..... 15,971,495.23

Total ..... 19,428,018.15

## ASSETS.

Subsidiary Coins ..... \$1,097,352.91  
Advances ..... 157,353.21  
Building Loans ..... 997,700.00  
Imprest ..... 3,097.84

House Service

Account ..... 2,334.81

Crown Agents' De-

posit Account ..... 9,496,620.09

Unallocated Stores,  
(P.W.D.), ..... 366,004.92Unallocated Stores,  
(Railway), ..... 247,893.56

Coal Account ..... 747,407.74

Investment Account, 6,420,211.23

Balances at Banks, ..... 542,669.24

Crown Agents' Cur-  
rent Account, ..... 2,039.60

Total ..... \$19,428,018.15

\*Cash lent at

Interest ..... £ 89,000 0s. 0d.

Cash on deposit ..... £1,009,045 14s. 1d.

† Invested as follows:—

Value of Stock.

(1) Hongkong

6% War Loan, 1921-28, ..... \$120,000.00

(2) 4% Funding

Loan, 1920-30 £835,000 0s. 0d.

(3) Queensland

4 1/2% Stock 1920-25, ..... £ 18,000 0s. 0d.

(4) Queensland

4% Stock 1924-25, ..... £ 23,500 0s. 0d.

(5) Queensland

4 1/2% Bond 1920-25, ..... £ 25,000 0s. 0d.

Actual Cost.

(1) ..... \$120,000.00

(2) ..... £667,091 14s. 9 1/2d.

(3) ..... £ 17,567 5s. 0d.

(4) ..... £ 23,381 6s. 3d.

(5) ..... £ 24,391 12s. 6d.

Market Value.

(1) ..... \$120,000.00

(2) ..... £730,625 0s. 0d. (87 1/2%)

(3) ..... £ 17,640 0s. 0d. (98%)

(4) ..... £ 23,265 0s. 0d. (99%)

(5) ..... £ 24,500 0s. 0d. (98%)

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ON

DECEMBER 31 1923, AND

DECEMBER 31 1924,

(ESTIMATED).

Revenue, ..... \$24,783,762.53

Expenditure, ..... 21,571,904.72

Surplus, ..... \$ 3,211,857.81

Exchange Fluctuation

Account, ..... 100,995.01

Balance of Assets,  
(1922), ..... 12,658,642.41Balance of Assets,  
(1923), ..... \$15,971,495.23

Revenue, ..... \$ 23,903,037

Expenditure, ..... 26,120,852

Deficit, ..... \$ 2,217,815

Balance of Assets,  
(1923), ..... 15,971,495Balance of Assets,  
(1924), ..... \$ 13,754,380

## LOAN ACCOUNT.

1923. 1924.

War Loan  
Stock  
Issued of 1916 at  
6% In-  
terest.  
To be  
paid off  
on the  
1st De-  
cember,  
1924.  
Issued  
Stock

of 1916  
and 1916  
at 3 1/2%  
interest.  
To be  
paid off  
on the  
5th April,  
1943. £1,493,732. 10s. 5d. £1,488,732. 10s. 5d.

1923. 1924.

Sinking Fund, \$1,175,000 and \$1,458,182 and \$1,034,456 Sinking Fund, \$1,332,592 0s. 0d. \$1,072,272 0s. 0d.

VOTES RECOMMENDED.

His Excellency the Governor re-

commended the Council to vote the

following sums under the headings

in the Financial Minutes.

Public Works.

A sum of \$195,000 in aid of

the following votes:—

Public Works, Extraordinary:—

Kowloon:—

Miscellaneous, 96, Fill-

ing in Tidal Flat

and cutting down

hill between Tai Kok

Tsui and Fuk Tsun

Heung ..... \$100,000.00

New Territories:—

Miscellaneous, 126,

Further Reclama-

tion at Sham Shui

Po ..... 30,000.00

Miscellaneous, 128,

Construction of

Waterboat Dock at

Lai Chi Kok ..... 40,000.00

Miscellaneous, 132,

Kowloon Bay East

Reclamation, Forma-

tion of Junk Build-

ing and Repairing

Yards ..... 25,000.00

Total ..... \$195,000.00

Defence Corps.

A sum of \$4,000 on account of

Volunteer Defence Corps, Special

Expenditure, Equipment for the

Engineer Company.

A sum of \$4,000 in aid of the

vote Military Expenditure, "B"

Volunteer Defence Corps, Other

Charges, Uniform, including

Boots.

Telephones And Survey.

A sum of \$9,700 in aid of the

following votes:—

Public Works, Recurrent:—

Hongkong:—

Communications, 8, Main-

tenance of Telephone

including all cables ..... \$3,200.00

Miscellaneous, 21, Survey

of Colony ..... 6,500.00

Total ..... \$9,700.00

Fittings And Furniture.

A sum of \$20,000 on account of

the vote Public Works, Extra-

ordinary, Hongkong, Miscel-

laneous, Fittings and Furniture

for Government Offices in the New

P. & O. Building.

Medical Department.

A sum of \$20,500 in aid of the

following votes:—

Medical Department:—

Civil Hospital, Other Charges:—

Fuel and Light ..... \$ 3,500.00

Provisions for patients, 10,000.00

Washing ..... 1,200.00

Kennedy Town Hospital,

Other Charges:—

Provision, etc. .... 1,500.00

Victoria Hospital, Other

Charges:—

Provisions for patients, 3,500.00

Washing ..... 200.00

Bacteriological Institute,

Other Charges:—

Animals and Fodder ..... 600.00

Total ..... \$20,500.00

Fire Brigade.

A sum of \$6,500 in aid of the

following votes:—

Fire Brigade, Other Charges:—

Clothing ..... \$1,200.00

Incidental Expenses ..... 300.00

Repairs to Motor Engines

and Plant ..... 5,000.00

Total ..... \$6,500.00

Belilios Reformatory.

A sum of \$15,000 on account of

Public Works, Extraordinary,

Miscellaneous, new roof and gen-  
eral repairs to the Belilios Re-

formatory.

Prison Department.

A sum of \$6,100 in aid of the

following votes:—

Prison Department, Other

Charges:—

Fuel ..... \$2,700.00

Incidental Expenses ..... 3,400.00

Total ..... \$6,100.00

Office Requisites.

A sum of \$460 in aid of the

following votes:—

Colonial Secretary's Department,

Other Charges:—

Gas, Electric Fans, and

Light ..... \$150.00

Handcar Reports ..... 150.00

Incidental Expenses ..... 150.00

Total ..... \$460.00

## Police and Prisoners.

A sum of \$36,000 in aid of the

following votes:—

Police Department, Other

Charges:—

Passages ..... \$35,000.00

Subsistence of Prisoners, 1,000.00

Total ..... \$36,000.00

## CENOTAPH FLAGS.

At the meeting, this afternoon,  
of the Legislative Council, the  
Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird asked the  
following question standing in his  
name:—

"Will the Government take the  
necessary steps to ensure that the  
flags are in position on the  
Cenotaph at all times except  
during typhoon weather?"  
The Hon. Colonial Secretary  
replied:—

"This can probably be arranged  
for if it is the



COLONY'S RECORD  
BUDGET.

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## Infectious Diseases.

The sum of \$30,000 provided under Item 13 for the new Infectious Diseases Hospital may be exceeded as it is desirable to press on with this work, but the site decided on, though excellent as regards position, is not an easy one to develop, and before the plans are finally settled they will have to be considered by the Government in conjunction with the authorities of the Tung Wah Hospital.

The amount required under Item 14 has been increased considerably in order to make adequate provision for the requirements of the Post Office.

Under Item 22 a sum of \$35,000 is provided to complete the building of temporary barracks for police on Hospital Road. It is probable that these buildings will be required for about five years. They will house about 120 Indian and Chinese Police, being members of the force displaced during the rebuilding of Police Station No. 8 and others who require accommodation due to a general increase of the force in Victoria.

## Road To D'Aguiar.

Under the heading Communications a sum of \$30,000 is provided for making a narrow road for one way motor traffic to Cape d'Aguiar, which is much needed. The road will be widened in places for the convenience of passing cars, but as it will be used almost entirely for official purposes it is not considered necessary to go to the expense of making a wide road the whole way.

Items (a), (b), (c) and (d) all refer to improvements of the Shan-kwan Road, the construction of the access road to Quarry Bay, Inland Lot 11, being part of the arrangement made with Messrs. Butterfield and Swire in connection with the removal of a number of their Chinese tenements to the new reclamation.

Under Item 35 a sum of \$87,700 is provided for laying an underground cable to Cape d'Aguiar, in place of the temporary line on wooden posts which cannot be properly supervised and maintained.

Under Item 53 a sum of \$100,000 is provided for the conversion of Bowen Road Filter Beds from a slow sand filter to a rapid filtering system. This matter has already been referred to in Council. The effect of this large expenditure will be to provide a much larger amount of filtered water than is possible at present at a convenient place.

## Water for Heights.

Item 54 will provide for the distribution of water to a large number of houses at a high level.

In Kowloon under buildings I would draw the attention of Honourable Members to the following. Item 63 has been entered and a nominal sum provided. It is proposed to erect some quarters of moderate size to the North of King's Park, but it is doubtful whether it will be possible to begin the work much before the end of next year.

The increase in the police force generally in the Kowloon Peninsula requires the provision of the quarters referred to in Items 70, 72, 73 and 78.

Under Items 61 and 74 provision is made for housing scavenging coolies and the policy adopted in Hongkong of providing such quarters at convenient centres will be followed in Kowloon generally.

The store for Government materials (Item 70) is an urgent necessity. It is hoped that it will eventually form the nucleus of a Government Central Store Department, the desirability of which is becoming increasingly obvious.

## Quarters for Clerks.

Item 77 makes provision for beginning the erection of quarters for members of the Clerical Service. The Committee appointed by me consisting of the Colonial Secretary, the Honourable Mr. R. H. Kewell and Mr. E. W. Carpenter recommended the construction of fifty-four quarters with shops on the ground floor in Nathan Road, nearly opposite Gascoigne Road, and of 128 quarters close to Waterloo Road on an excellent site near Yau-mai Station. The quarters will be roomy with good kitchens and offices and will be at a convenient distance from the future ferry terminus in Jordan Road. It is proposed that these buildings should be constructed by a private firm of architects. The total cost will probably exceed a million and a half dollars but no exact estimate has yet been made.

## Improved Communications.

Under communications large sums are provided for constructing roads, and for improving existing roads. In this connection I should like to refer to the work of a Committee which I appointed in June last to consider the question of communications in Kowloon. The members of the Committee were: Mr. E. W. Carpenter, Public Works Department, Chairman; Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Deputy Superintendent of Police; Mr. H. H. Pegg, Public Works Department; Mr. B. Wylie, Chairman of the Kowloon Residents' Association; Mr. J. M. Alves, Member of the Kowloon Residents' Association; Mr. B. W. Tape, Kowloon City.

The Committee reported on September 2, and their report is now under consideration. In the opinion of the Government this report is a very excellent piece of work and the ability and thoroughness with which the Committee carried out the task entrusted to them will, I am sure, be appreciated as fully by the community in Kowloon as it is by myself. The Chairman informs me that the work of the Committee was materially assisted by the data supplied by the representatives of the Kowloon Residents' Association, of whose co-operation in this and other matters I should wish to express my keen appreciation.

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## Drainage Problems.

Under "Drainage" large sums are provided, and Kowloon drainage problems are so closely connected with the provision for drainage in the "New Territories" which really means New Kowloon adjoining that they can be conveniently considered together.

The heavy expenditure is due to the size of the trained nullahs required for carrying storm water to the sea through the large area of filled-in ground, which has been formed by cutting down the foot-hills. This work and the provision of sewers throughout the peninsula will occupy the Drainage Sub-department for years to come.

Under the head "Miscellaneous" a sum of \$50,000 is provided for contributing the scheme of laying underground cables from Mongkok to Lai Chi Kok and from Mongkok to Kowloon City and the New Kowloon on the Kai Tak Reclamation.

Under "Water Works" new filter beds are required to cope with the increased consumption of water.

## New Territories' Votes.

In the "New Territories" the principal works are as follows:—

Item 97, "New Kowloon Police Training School." A contract has been let for the piling of the site and it may be possible to begin building before the end of next year. The long delay that has occurred in beginning this work is much to be regretted. It has been due principally to the necessity of giving careful and detailed consideration to alternative proposals for the design and lay-out in order to meet the requirements of the departments concerned and to fit the site available. The position finally settled on provides for a hundred foot road on the sea in front of the outer wall while the land at the back consists of hills, which it will, I hope, be possible to cut down gradually by the use of prison labour. Prisoners will thus be provided with useful work for a considerable time to come and the levelled area will provide for the further expansion of the Gaol which will, no doubt, become necessary if the population continues to increase at its present rate. The Police Training School will occupy about twelve acres of the Kai Tak Reclamation on the west side of the Gaol.

Item 103. It has been impossible to make a start with the New Lunatic Asylum as the site selected near Lai Chi Kok has been found very expensive to develop, and it may be necessary to look for a new site.

I referred in my remarks on the Observatory to the necessity of finding a more suitable site for the magnetic instruments and under Item 110 a sum of \$14,000 is provided for huts for the instruments. The rapid growth of the New Kowloon City on the reclamation makes it necessary to have a resident Sanitary Inspector and provision is made under Item 112 for his quarters.

Under "Communications" the following new works should be noticed:—

(i).—This path is required for the proper patrolling of the frontier to the East of the railway.

(ii).—The road from Tai Po Market to Shum Wan is expected to encourage much building development. On the short portion already constructed many applications for land have been received.

(iii).—In addition to the widening of the smaller bridges, it is proposed to widen the long bridge at Au Tan and Kung Wan.

(iv).—The Tai Po Road between the 5th and 9th Mile, that is between the reservoir and Shatin, is being straightened in places under Item (c) and it is considered desirable now to macadamize it to meet the needs of the increasing wheeled traffic.

(v).—Refers to the road from Failing to Sheng Shui and thence to the railway.

Under "Miscellaneous" there are two new works. Item 121 is a proposal to fill in the low-lying land to the South-West of Kowloon City which will shortly be required for building. Item 122 provides for placing the telephone lines

between Kowloon and Fanning under ground in order to save the heavy cost of upkeep.

**Kowloon Catchwater.**  
Under "Water Works" provision is made for continuing the work of extending the Kowloon catchwater and of building the Shek Lai Pui reservoir. A start is to be made with the construction of the Shing Mun Valley Scheme, but the amounts entered under the various items cannot be regarded as anything but tentative estimates. A contract has been let for the construction of the tunnels and conduit.

**Posts and Railways.**  
A slight re-arrangement of duties has been made in the Post Office, two Assistant Superintendents, one in the Parcel Branch and one in the Registration Branch, have taken the place of the former Superintendent of Registration and Parcels, and a small increase in staff has been required to cope with growing postal business.

The Railway Estimates are this year presented in a new form, with various new sub-heads which require some explanation. Honourable Members will recollect that, at the suggestion of the late Mr. A. R. Lowe, the Government agreed that, for statistical purposes and because we hope some day to be linked up with the main body of Chinese Railways, the Railway accounts should be kept in the same form as that prescribed by the Ministry of Communications in China. The accounts are now being recast in this new form and while it is not essential that the Estimates should appear in the same form it was considered desirable for ease in accounting to remodel them also. The letters and numbers at the beginning of each section are those of the classification of operating expenses now in force in the Railways of China.

The running expenses of the Railway have been kept as low as is consistent with keeping the track and equipment in thoroughly good order. It will be noticed that provision has been made for the Fanning Branch Line for three months only as it is expected that this line will then be replaced by the motor road now under construction.

Special Expenditure on the Railway has also been reduced as far as possible. The main item is for six new carriages which are required and will prove most useful when through communication is once more established. To accommodate these carriages a further extension of the Carriage Sheds is necessary and it is considered advisable to extend the platform awnings at Kowloon which at present are only sufficient to cover three coaches. Surfacing of platforms at Out-stations is also provided for.

The stoppage of through traffic during the greater part of the year has had a disastrous effect on the revenue of the line. We can only hope that conditions will improve so as to admit of the resumption of through traffic next year. Until this happens, it is impossible for the line to pay its way.

## FINANCIAL POSITION.

## Future Policy Discussed.

To revert now to the financial position as a whole, I feel that I am placing a great strain on the patience of Honourable Members but, as it is very possible that this will be the last budget that I shall have the pleasure of placing before this Council, I would ask their indulgence while I offer some observations on the financial situation and financial policy as affecting the near future and not only the coming year.

As I indicated at the beginning of this address it is estimated that the year 1924 will close with a deficit of approximately two million dollars and we have budgeted for a deficit of something over 8½ million dollars.

If these forecasts prove correct it is clear that at the end of 1925 we shall have reduced our balances very materially and it will be necessary to give careful consideration to the methods by which future works are to be financed. My own view is that it would not be prudent to reduce our balances much below five million dollars for any long period, as it is very desirable that we should be in a position to meet at once unexpected calls or unforeseen troubles without dislocation of our finances. At the same time I do not think that there is any necessity for trying to maintain them permanently at a higher figure.

I may say here that personally I shall be somewhat surprised if the deficit on the working of the year 1924 reaches the high figure suggested, as I am inclined to think that the Public Works Department, has taken an over-optimistic view of the amount of

work which it will be able to do before the end of the year, unless climatic and other conditions prove to be exceptionally favourable, but we must, of course, provide for the maximum expenditure which is possible in any circumstances.

Similarly, the estimates for next year are based on the sound principle of including the lowest probable returns in the case of revenue and the highest figure of expenditure which can reasonably be expected to be reached. Here again I should be surprised if the gap between revenue and expenditure proves to be in practice anything like so large as it is in the estimates.

But the actual figures are not of much importance in this connection. The point which I desire to discuss is one of policy. I have consistently, ever since I came to Hongkong, advocated the policy of pressing on with works of development as continuously and as rapidly as possible without regard to whether the budget for the year shows a heavy deficit or not so long as we have balances available. That policy has been followed in the present estimates and I propose to follow it in any future budget that I may be privileged to lay before the Council. As I think I said on a previous occasion the process is merely one of changing the form of our assets, so long as the expenditure by which the balances are depleted are works of development.

**Margin of Safety.**  
It does not therefore matter from this point of view whether the date at which we have reduced our balances to the margin of safety arrives at the end of 1925 or one or two years later. It must come some time in the next few years as we still have before us a very heavy programme of works which it will be convenient to continue to refer to here as "Public Works Extraordinary" though some of them will actually be carried out by the Port Development Department and some perhaps by the Railway or other departments.

We have been in recent years very fortunate in being able to command sufficient balances to provide for the heaviest programme which we could undertake but it is clear that this state of affairs cannot last much longer. The works to which we are already committed and those which we have in contemplation are all desirable, most of them are necessary and a considerable number of them will be remunerative in actual cash, but they will cost very large sums of money and it would be unreasonable to expect to be able to find from revenue and balances the funds necessary for instance to provide for the heavy initial expenditure of moving the Military Establishments to the mainland and to provide deep water wharves for the Harbour.

**Question of Loan.**  
Within the next few years therefore, as I said just now, we shall have to decide how these works are to be financed. The obvious answer, of course, is by means of a loan. I have no other answer but I should like to express now my views, not as to the amount of a loan, for it is not possible to foresee at present what our requirements will be, but as to the nature of the loan and the objects to which it should be devoted.

"Public Works Extraordinary," in the wide sense in which I have used the phrase, fall into three natural divisions.

1. Such works as the provision of new Police Stations, quarters for Government servants, road improvements and widening and similar comparatively minor matters.

2. Costly works which are of permanent utility and which will be of equal importance to future generations as to the present, or possibly even of greater importance, such for instance, as the Shing Mun Water Supply and the Harbour Wharves, works from which a certain return in money may be anticipated but which are not intended to be a source of profit and should at most be expected to pay their way and give in due course a moderate return on the capital invested.

3. Works which involve a heavy initial outlay for a considerable period during which they give no return but which bring in large sums of money on or soon after completion. Such for instance as the Praya East Reclamation and, to some extent at least, let us hope the re-provisioning of the Military Establishments.

The first class of works are correctly classed as Public Works Extraordinary since they are of the nature of capital expenditure but they approximate rather closely to Public Works Recurrent for we may be certain that every year it will be necessary to expend money on similar works.

**Payment from Revenue.**  
This class of works, therefore, I consider, should be provided for from revenue, at least up to the limit of the revenue received from land sales, which as these sales amount to an alienation of capital should not be regarded as available to meet the ordinary expenses of administration.

The second class of works, of which the utility is permanent and the profit small should in my opinion be provided for by a long term loan, i.e. by the issue of Inscribed Stock with the usual arrangement for amortization by means of a sinking fund, so that our successors who will benefit by these works at least as much as ourselves may bear their fair share of the cost.

**Praya East Reclamation.**  
The third class, I consider, should be dealt with differently. Take for example the Praya East Reclamation. We are expending large sums on this work but the expenditure is really more of the nature of an advance. As soon as it is finished, we hope to sell the Government share of the new land, so far as it is not required for Government purposes, at a profit. The money which we have expended will therefore come back to us after a few years and it would scarcely be fair to our successors that we should spend this money when we receive it while we leave them saddled with the loan raised for the initial expenditure.

In such cases I submit that the right course would be to raise short term loans by way of debentures or possibly by the issue of Treasury Bills which would be paid off as soon as possible by means of the money received on the completion of the work.

I will not try to go into details as to do so in present circumstances would be premature but I submit these views to Honourable Members as representing a reasonable and practical policy, the adoption of which would, I believe, be a continuation of reasonable prudence, make it unnecessary at least for many years to come to contemplate any materially increased taxation, even if the Revenue from Opium ceases to figure in our returns.

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(Reuter's Service.)

Calcutta, October 15.

The Government of India has telegraphed to the American Consul-General stating that it is greatly concerned to hear of the assault upon the American missionaries, Professor and Mrs. Gleason at Rangoon. The Government of Burma has been asked for a detailed report, meanwhile the Government of India expresses great regret at the unfortunate occurrence and gives assurance that all steps will be taken to ensure the safety of Americans in Burma and India.

DETAILS OF ATTACK.

Rangoon, October 12.  
Professor and Mrs. Gleason, American missionaries, narrowly escaped in the Buddhist disturbances mentioned yesterday. The Professor was stabbed in the back and his wife had two deep wounds in the head and forehead. Both were felled to the ground. In response to their cries a Mohammedan cab-driver rushed to their assistance but retired when threatened with a chopper by one of the assailants. The latter then retired to a monastery whereupon the cab-driver returned and conveyed the bleeding victims to a hospital.

The second class of works, of which the utility is permanent and the profit small should in my opinion be provided for by a long term loan, i.e. by the issue of Inscribed Stock with the usual arrangement for amortization by means of a sinking fund, so that our successors who will benefit by these works at least as much as ourselves may bear their fair share of the cost.

**Praya East Reclamation.**  
The third class, I consider, should be dealt with differently. Take for example the Praya East Reclamation. We are expending large sums on this work but the expenditure is really more of the nature of an advance. As soon as it is finished, we hope to sell the Government share of the new land, so far as it is not required for Government purposes, at a profit. The money which we have expended will therefore come back to us after a few years and it would scarcely be fair to our successors that we should spend this money when we receive it while we leave them saddled with the loan raised for the initial expenditure.

In such cases I submit that the right course would be to raise short term loans by way of debentures or possibly by the issue of Treasury Bills which would be paid off as soon as possible by means of the money received on the completion of the work.

I will not try to go into details as to do so in present circumstances would be premature but I submit these views to Honourable Members as representing a reasonable and practical policy, the adoption of which would, I believe, be a continuation of reasonable prudence, make it unnecessary at least for many years to come to contemplate any materially increased taxation, even if the Revenue from Opium ceases to figure in our returns.

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## PRAISES ENGLISH LABOUR CABINET.



When Colonel House, former confidante of President Wilson, returned to the United States recently with Mrs. House from a trip to England he had strong praise for the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and the Labour Government. He had a long interview with the Premier.

## ONE OF THEM IS SURE TO WIN.



Friendly enemies, or rather friendly rivals in the political battlefield, General Dawes, Republican nominee for the Vice-Presidency, and Governor Charles W. Bryan, Democratic nominee for the same office, held a friendly visit when General Dawes spoke in Bryan's State.

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## Forecasting Earthquakes



Prof. Cavallieri C. Caselli, noted seismologist of Spezia, Italy, who has had patented his apparatus which has proved successful in foretelling of earthquakes 15 minutes before occurrence. He is inclined to believe that the seismic movements may be actuated by electro-magnetic forces developed by the stars of our planetary system during their periods of greatest proximity to the earth.

## Murder Charge.



Norman Selby, better known by his old ring title of Kid McCoy, famous for his nine marriages and equal number of divorces, who is now held for Grand Jury at Los Angeles, charged with murder of Mrs. Theresa Mors, a divorcee, with whom he lived and to whom, it is said, he had planned to be married soon.

## Mercury Into Gold.



Professor Miethe, celebrated European scientist, who has startled the world by turning mercury into gold by atomic action. Though it seems as if the dream of all chemists may be a fact, though it is determined that the expense of the operation is far in value than the ultimate product.

## Against Dry Laws.



Premier Walter Monroe, of Newfoundland, who is taking steps to repeal the Newfoundland Prohibition Law, and to allow the sale of liquor under definite restrictions. With Premier Monroe falling in line with other Canadian provinces, there remains but four states of Canada which are "dry."

## Prince To Mary.



Conrad Vaigurners, Prince di Niscomi, eldest son of the Duke and Duchess dell'Arno, Palermo, Italy, who is to be married this fall to Miss Margaret Birch. The Prince's father is a former Italian Senator and his mother, Lady-in-Waiting to the Italian Queen.

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## FORMER CHAMPION TRAINS SONS.



Bobby and Billy, young sons of Jack Britton, former welter-weight champion of the world, apparently want to follow in the footsteps of their famous daddy. They are shown at Britton's camp going through a few rounds.

## JAPANESE RADIO INVENTOR.



One of the first Japanese students to gain recognition in the radio world is Hiroshi Ando of Tokio. He is shown here making a final inspection of the instrument he has entered in the international radio exhibition.

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## V.R.C. ANNUAL AQUATICS. FINAL DAY YESTERDAY.

The V.R.C. annual aquatic meeting, after two postponements, was brought to an end yesterday afternoon in ideal weather.

The 100 yards championship of the Colony attracted most attention and was won by a margin of two fifths of a second by D. Lyon. All entrants with the exception of Johnstone and Lyon had scratched and it remained a contest between these two. For two lengths Johnstone swam extremely well, but each time he lost a fraction on the turn. The finish was full of excitement.

The 100 yards ladies' championship was carried off by Miss G. Ramsay. She won in the record time of 79 1/5 seconds and was home nearly six seconds before Miss Blunsdon, who took second place.

The four lengths handicap for girls produced a keen race. At first, Miss Goulay appeared to be having a fairly easy task, but Miss D. Hunt swam a plucky race and in the last length passed all other opponents easily. It was an extraordinarily good finish on her part and she was deservedly applauded.

Miss K. Kitchell did particularly well in the high dive for ladies. She won by 14 points.

The V.R.C. were opposed to the Kowloon British School in the team race and won with ease. The losers, however, were not represented by a full team.

**Prize Presentation.**  
After the contests Lady Severn presented the prizes. In introducing her, Mr. Mitchell remarked on the fact that the adverse weather had affected the number of people able to be present. They had seen some good races that day and no one wanted to see anything better than the 100 yards championship. He paid tribute to the backing the Club received from Sir Claud Severn.

Sir Claud expressed the regret His Excellency the Governor felt at being unable to attend.

At the conclusion Miss Gladys Ramsay presented Lady Severn with a bouquet of roses in a silver holder and three cheers for Lady Severn, Sir Claud, Mr. Mitchell and the competitors were given.

**Results.**  
Two Lengths Hurdles (Handicap).—1, J. V. Ramsay; 2, A. Kitchell. Time, 31 1/5secs.  
100 Yards Girls' Championship.—1, Ena Allen; 2, M. Goulay. Time, 20 3/5secs.

High Dive (Open).—1, A. George (90 points); 2, Duncan (89 points).

100 Yards Championship of Colony (Open).—1, D. Lyon; 2, J. R. Johnstone. Time, 69secs.

Four Lengths (Handicap) (members).—1, A. E. Noronha; 2, D. Laiting. Time, 62 4/5secs.

Two Lengths (Handicap) (members).—1, J. Montalto; 2, J. A. Kent. Time, 29 1/5secs.

100 Yards Ladies' Championship of the Colony.—1, G. Ramsay; 2, M. Blunsdon. Time, 79 1/5secs.

Girls' Four Lengths Handicap.—1, D. Hunt; 2, M. George. Time, 96 1/5secs.

High Dive, Ladies' (open).—1, K. Kitchell (104 points); 2, M. George (90 points).

Team Race.—V.R.C. team. Time, 2mins. 49secs.

Water Polo.—The Rest, 1, 0. Consolation Prize, two lengths.—B. Rasmussen.

**GOLF.**  
INTERPORT MATCH WITH MANILA.  
HONGKONG'S TEAM.

The following have been chosen to represent the Royal Hongkong Golf Club against Manila on Saturday and Sunday next:—A. B. Stewart (Captain), I. W. Sheehan, A. H. Ferguson, R. A. Canfield, Capt. L. W. Bennett, E. J. R. Mitchell.

Reserve: W. Galloway.  
Play commences at 9.15, each day. The 3.35 Train will run on Saturday as well as Sunday.

A. B. Stewart cannot go to Shanghai for the match on October 30 and 31. A. H. Ferguson has been asked to captain the side and N. L. Smith has been asked to complete the Hongkong side.

**STEEL PROTECTION ACT.**  
DIFFICULTIES OF TATA MINES.  
(Reuter's Service.)

Jamshedpur, October 15.  
The Tata Iron and Steel Company is drastically economising on coke. Its oven, blast furnace, and iron ore mine have closed owing to congestion of un-blasted coke. Many workers are left idle. The strike board is shortly coming to Bombay to enquire into the company's application for the imposition of a cess on coke under the Steel Protection Act, following the rise in exchange and the heavy fall in the price of Belgian steel.

## INDIAN TEA PARTY. CROWDED RECEPTION AT TOWN HALL.

PHILICITOUS SPEECHES.

The heads of almost all Government departments and a large number of prominent Indian residents were present at a tea party in the City Hall yesterday evening, given by the Sikh Temple and the Singh Hindu Merchants' Association in honour of Inspectors Mohinder Singh and Nawab Khan, Hongkong Police, who were recently decorated with the titles of Sirdar Sahib and Khan Sahib.

Among those present were Major General Sir John Fowler, and his A.D.C., Sir Claud Severn, Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Hon. Mr. Trautman, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police, Lieut. Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., Harbour Master, Hon. Mr. P. H. Bolyon, Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun, Hon. Mr. R. H. Kowall, Mr. W. W. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University, Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz, Messrs. T. M. Hazlerigg, A. Dyer Ball, C. A. D. Melbourne, H. A. Nishet, J. W. Franks, H. Green, M. J. Breen, P. P. J. Wodehouse, R. W. Hamilton, C. G. Perdue, J. Kerr, G. Gerard, Mrs. J. B. Addison, W. B. A. Moore, Paterson, W. V. M. Koch, Majors E. S. Halford, R.G.A., and T. C. Greenwood, R.A.F., Capt. G. D. Meredith, G. A. Clements, N. C. Parkes, J. E. Chippindall, E. Blaxland, Chief Inspectors J. Grant and W. Kent, Messrs. W. J. L. Smith, B. Tanner, L. Foster, and W. K. Reynolds.

After tea Mr. Bishen Singh, President of the Sikh Temple, in thanking the guests for their attendance, said that the function was held to enable them to express publicly their gratitude to H.E. the Governor for so graciously mentioning the names of the Inspectors to the Government of India in connection with their 25 years' service to the Hongkong Government.

Inspector Mohinder Singh, replying in his native dialect, said that he and his colleague realised that the honours conferred on them were a recognition of the loyal service performed by the Indian contingent of the Hongkong Police Force.

Hon. Mr. Wolfe emphasised the dependence of the whole Indian Force on the Jemadars or Inspectors for its efficiency and said that it was fitting that the two senior officers, who had served the British Government so well, should receive these decorations.

In a final speech Mr. Bishen Singh said:

"The British Empire, gentlemen, is a blessing to humanity; Almighty God has blessed it with unquenchable strength and justice. Under the Union Jack Liberty and freedom, trade and industry, progress and protection are the birth rights of its Citizens, and in fact this is the only Empire of our world, in which it can be said that all and everyone have the fullest scope for exercising and developing the energies, mental and otherwise, and in which the rich and poor, the strong and the weak can live in perfect safety and harmony, and those who have the honour of being the citizens of this Empire must feel proud of sharing the membership of the greatest of the existing Empires upon the surface for the entire globe. (Applause.)"

**ORIENTAL SHOWS.**  
OPENING NIGHT IN KOWLOON.

The Oriental Shows will open to the public in Kowloon to-night on the lot near the site for the Peninsula Hotel.

An exhibition show was given last night and was well attended. The chief attraction should prove the flying sea-planes, which were well patronised last evening, the D.S.P., Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse and a party being among those who took to the air.

In addition, there are "galloping horses" and swinging chairs for those in search of a liver tonic. A giant and a dwarf, a hula-hula queen, human spider, girl, snake-charmer, human gramophone, and "Filipino Muscle Man" are also on view, while the usual clowns and lady acrobats were in evidence. There appeared to be a number of "games of skill" available, but none were working last evening. The manager should prove an attraction to many. The admission fee is 10 cents, so the show should be well patronised.

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## ARCTIC DISASTER.

## PATHETIC RELICS OF

## STEFANSSON EXPEDITION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, October 15.

The bodies of four members of the 1913 Stefansson Arctic expedition have been discovered by the captain of a schooner on Herald Island, near Wrangel Island, and identified as the remains of James Murray and Doctor Alister Mackay, British scientists, both formerly with Shackleton. M. Henri Bauchop, eminent French anthropologist and Stanley Morris, an American sailor, say the evidence indicates that they were frozen to death in a storm, while asleep from utter exhaustion. Round the camp fire an ample supply of food was found.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

## YESTERDAY'S HOUSE SALE.

The sale by public auction of No. 143 Portland Street, Mongkok, at the sale rooms of Messrs. Hughes and Hough yesterday afternoon, attracted very few buyers.

The lot is situated on Section A of Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1182 and is held for the residue of a term of 75 years from April 5, 1904, at a Crown rental of \$2.50 per annum.

There was some little delay before the first bid was made, and when this eventually came it was \$5,000, which was immediately raised to \$6,000 in two calls of \$500 each. Bidding remained brisk, but four rises were necessary to touch the \$7,000 mark. From this point until \$7,500 was reached, longer intervals elapsed between bids, the property finally being knocked down for \$7,700 to Mr. Chow Sing, of 28 Lee Muen Street.

## FELLOWSHIP.

## SOCIAL GATHERING AT

## Y. W. C. A.

An organization which has as its object the bringing together, irrespective of race, of all who desire fellowship—this was the impression of the Hongkong Fellowship gathered by a "China Mail" representative who attended a social gathering held at the Y.W.C.A. buildings, Caine Road, last night to mark the approach of the winter's activities.

In addition to the social part of the evening, a short review of the activities of the Fellowship from the time that the suggestion (made by a gentleman passing through the Colony on his way to a Student Christian Conference at Shanghai) was taken up two years ago by the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, then of Ying Wa College, was given by Dr. Wan.

## SUGGESTIONS WERE MADE AS TO THE SUBJECTS TO BE STUDIED AT THE MEETINGS.

Miss F. C. Woo, headmistress, St. Paul's Girls' School, Miss Wan, St. Stephen's Girls' School and Mr. T. J. Price, St. Stephen's Boys' School were elected secretaries.

## DRUG PRODUCTION.

## MINISTER SPEAKS FOR ITS

## SUPPRESSION.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, October 14.

Speaking on the resolution at a meeting of the Congregational Union at Liverpool, expressing the hope that the Geneva Conference would deal with the drug production, the Rev. E. J. Dukes said it was stated India made a profit of \$4,000,000 out of the drug trade. He said it was also stated Malaya was paying 45 per cent. of her annual expenditure out of the Opium Licensing trade.

## CONSIGNMENT NOTICES.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "Havelland" remaining undelivered after October 20, will be subject to re-sale. Agents: Arabis & Co. Ltd.

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"AJAX" 21st Nov. Boston, New York & Baltimore (via Suez)

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## INWARD MAILS.

From FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17. P.m.  
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 20.

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21.

Japan ..... 1 p.m.  
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24.

Australia ..... 1 p.m.  
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## OUTWARD MAILS.

For THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16. P.m.  
Samsut and Wuchow ..... 4 p.m.  
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong ..... 5 p.m.  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17.  
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central & South America, EUROPE via VIC-TORIA, B.C.—due Victoria 6th Nov. 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m. Registration 18th 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m. Pref. Jefferson Devawansa ..... 8.30 a.m.

Hohow and Haiphong ..... 8.30 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & ETHIOPIA via Marseilles—due Marseilles Nov. 14. Parcels Oct. 17 8 a.m. Registration Oct. 18 9.40 a.m. Letters Oct. 18 10.30 a.m. Trieste ..... 10.20 a.m.

Manila, Straits, and Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg ..... 10.20 a.m.

Formosa ..... 10.20 a.m.

Saigon ..... 10.20 a.m.

Bangkok ..... 10.20 a.m.

Banks ..... 4 p.m.

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## WAR IN CHINA.

## ALLIED TROOP TRAIN

## CLEARS LINE.

(Reuter's Service.)

TIENTSIN, October 16.

Yesterday an Allied train, carrying contingents of British, American, French and Japanese troops and decorated with the Allied flags left Tientsin for Shanhai-kwan. It was despatched in order to clear the line.

## Wu's Communique.

The following communique was issued by Marshal Wu, Peifu under date of October 13, received through cable and handed to the "China Mail" for publication.

Our grand offensive, carried out by 2 divisions and 3 brigades, was first launched upon the enemy at dawn to-day along Shanhai-kwan. Everywhere the enemy is falling back before the tide of our advance. Already we have made headway for more than 10 li. We expect to re-take Kiuman this evening, but the battle is still raging at time of report.

Last evening, the enemy, aided by heavy artillery firing, made a determined attack on our positions at Santakwan, but was resolutely held back by our troops. After an engagement lasting three hours, the enemy retired on running short of ammunition, but did not succeed in doing that until 500 rifles and 4 field guns had been lost.

The Westward advance of the enemy, in the direction of Jehol, has been brought to a standstill as a result of three mixed brigades of

his troops having been transferred to the various fronts outside Shanhai-kwan, in which direction the enemy strength is fast dwindling through repeated reverses and the consequent huge loss of lives. Our troops have been ordered to concentrate at Jehol in preparation for a counter-offensive on Chaoyang.

The following communique was issued on Tuesday: According to reports from our secret agents, the death roll of the enemy, in yesterday's battle, amounted to 3,000, including more than 100 officers and one brigadier-general. The morale of the rebels has been greatly affected, but Chang Tso-lin is contemplating a counter-offensive by bringing up reinforcements of the most inferior type.

At Kiuman and Santakwan, the enemy is still obstinately holding his lines despite huge losses. Consequently, there is no development on all the Shanhai-kwan fronts. Up to now 3 divisions and 4 mixed brigades of national troops have arrived in Chinwangtao since yesterday, more are pouring in. Lu Yung-hsiang and Ho Fenglin have boarded a Japanese steamer on the way to Japan. Their successor, the acting commander of the 10th division, has telegraphed the Government requesting that his troops be incorporated in the national forces.

General Chi Hsueh-Yuan and General Sun Chuan-lang have telegraphically offered their services together with 3 divisions and 1 brigade, to the Central Government for the Northern fronts, saying the war in the South-east has already been brought to a close.

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## COLLISION.

## MOTOR-CAR AND BUS.

## TWO INJURED.

An overtaking car and a preceding motor-bus were involved in an accident while going up the Pokfulam incline, near the Dairy Farm Co's, farms, at 1 p.m., yesterday.

The Aberdeen Kalfong bus was climbing the hill and, according to a report, motor-car No. 64 ran into its back, causing some damage.

Two passengers in the car received injuries to their hands and faces through contact with the broken glass from the wind screen. The impact caused them to be thrown forwards towards the screen.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The "All Blacks," the New Zealand Rugby football team, have defeated County Durham by 43 points to 7.

A Reuter message says that the British portion of the German Loan was over-subscribed. The lists closed at one o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The Bible-Circle at the Helena May Institute, to-morrow Friday 17th, will be conducted by Mrs. H. Lechmere Clift at 10.30 a.m. The meeting is open to all women.

—Advt—

In consequence of a complaint made to the police by the Fire Brigade in that vicinity, ten contractors and boatmen were charged with causing obstruction by leaving heaps of sand in Peiho Street, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning. They were each fined \$25 and ordered to clear away the sand immediately.

## LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

## ARRIVALS.

Malwa, (P. & O.) from London, Singapore.—Kowloon Wharf.

Lim Chow, (Sing Kee) from Pakhoi.—Off Stonecutter.

Liberator, (Pacific Mail) from Shanghai.—A30.

Chung Hing, (Hong On) from Kwan-chow-wan.—Co's Wharf.

Pt. Jefferson, (A. O. Line) from Manila.—Kowloon Wharf.

Aki Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Singapore.—A5.

Makawa Maru, (Y. K. K.) from Hohow.—West Point.

Sze Chuen, (B. & S.) from Canton.—B9.

Wai Shing, (J. M. & Co.) from Canton.—B7.

Laing Chow, (B. & S.) from Swatow.—B12.

Kaijo Maru, (O. S. K.) from Keelung, Swatow.—Co's Wharf.

## DEPARTURES.

Hydrangea, (Chan On) for Swatow.—October 15.

Yoshino Maru, (N. Y. K.) for Australia, Manila.—October 16.